

CONDE DE LOS ANDES COLECCIÓN HISTÓRICA RIOJA 2005

DOCa Rioja, Spain



TASTING NOTES: A complex and enveloping aromatic concentration stands out along with characteristics of the grapes at the time of harvesting. It offers aromas of blackcurrant, blackberry and a touch of Mediterranean herbs. The secondary aromas of vanilla, clove, cedar, tobacco and caramel are thanks to its maturation in quality oak and time to rest in the bottle.

VITICULTURE: The grapes for this Historic Collection Rioja come from vineyards in Haro, Ollauri and other areas of Rioja Alta. The clay-limestone soil in this region allows for optimum acidity to achieve expressive aromas and good aging potential. The 2005 vintage was classified by the Rioja Control Board as “Excellent” and many consider it to be historic, as the grapes and the vegetative cycle exceeded expectations. This was due to exceptional weather conditions throughout the year. High quality grapes with a higher concentration of aroma and flavor.

VINIFICATION: The grapes were handpicked in October and fermented for 25 days in stainless steel tanks. The wine was aged for 24 months in French and American oak barrels before bottling in 2009.

INTERESTING FACT: The Conde de los Andes underground cellars represent five centuries of history in one kilometer as the Ollauri cellars were first opened at the end of the Middle Ages. Today bottles from legendary vintages such as 1892, 1918, 1948 and 1964 are still cellared there.

FAMILY: In 1926, Bodegas Murua was founded by José Murua in Rioja Alavesa, one of the three sub-regions of Rioja. Determined to follow in his father's footsteps, Julián Murua Entrena began his own wine journey specializing in the art of blending, eventually establishing Bodegas Muriel in 1982. Bodegas Muriel excels at producing elegant and complex Reserva-designated Riojas. Julián and his son Javier now run the winery with a mission to meld the long-held winemaking traditions of the region with the new technologies of today.

In 2014, Bodegas Muriel acquired Conde de los Andes, a winery with the oldest cellars in Rioja. After two years of efforts, Muriel launched the renewed conde de los Andes wine range; and reopened the large and spectacular underground cellar caves of the winery, a masterpiece of traditional wine architecture.

PRODUCER: Bodegas Muriel

REGION: DOCa Rioja

GRAPE(S): 100% Tempranillo

SKU: COTM056

ALCOHOL: 14%

TOTAL ACIDITY: 5.71 G/L

RESIDUAL SUGAR: 2.2 G/L

pH: 3.5